

Analysis of Nursing Students Learning Experiences in Clinical Practice: Literature Review

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ABSTRACT Learning in the clinical practice is an important component of nursing education considering that nursing is practice-based profession. The importance of clinical practice cannot be overemphasized as it prepares nurses to become competent practitioners. The aim of this study is to investigate nursing students' learning experiences in clinical education. The objectives of the study are to assess effective learning in clinical learning environment. A review of literature was performed using electronic data bases of articles from 2003-2012 that were in English. The studies revealed that effective learning takes place in a clinical learning in clinical practice occurs if students are given opportunities to practice what they have learnt in the classroom and skills laboratory supervised and supported, provided with feedback in an environment where there is good interpersonal relationships and communication. There is a need to use strategies that facilitate learning in clinical practice in addition to creating a conducive clinical learning environment.